

supplemented in June 1974 to correct identified deficiencies.

Construction of the 3,230-acre Normandy Dam and Reservoir was completed in 1976 and is currently in operation. Construction of the 12,600-acre Columbia Dam and Reservoir began in 1973. Construction was slowed in the mid-to-late 70s and eventually halted in 1983 because consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service indicated that the reservoir could jeopardize the continued existence of two endangered species. These two species, the birdwing pearly mussel and the Cumberland monkeyface pearly mussel, had been listed as endangered in 1975 under provisions of the 1973 Endangered Species Act (ESA). Subsequent fieldwork and ESA listings indicated that two additional endangered Mussel species (tan riffleshell and pale lilliput pearly mussel) and an endangered plant (leafy prairie clover) also occurred in the Columbia Dam area. Other species known to occur in the area were proposed for endangered status or were identified as candidates for possible ESA listing. The presence of those endangered species in the project area is the basis for TVA not being able to complete Columbia Project as originally planned.

During the dry times of the year, water supplies and water quality are stressed in the Duck River watershed area of middle Tennessee. During periods of drought, instream water quality is primarily sustained by minimum flows from Normandy Dam. Projected growth for the region indicates a worsening of the situation. TVA and TDRDA will evaluate alternatives to meet the water supply needs of the area. Analysis of water supply needs will include domestic, industrial, and agricultural uses; water quality; flood protection; and recreation uses. For planning purposes, projected benefits and costs will be evaluated for a 30 to 50 year period, depending on the alternative under consideration. Conservation effects on water use will also be considered.

In addition to assisting TDRDA in the analysis of water supply needs and alternative water supplies, TVA may be involved in several other ways depending on the outcome of the analysis. This could include making available some of the property acquired for the Columbia Reservoir for a smaller reservoir, approving any new dam structure under Section 26a of the TVA Act, and/or providing design assistance. TDRDA would be responsible for financing any water supply project that may be pursued as a result of the analysis.

The first step in the preparation of the EIS will be the determination of the scope of the EIS. It is anticipated that the scope will include possible construction of a surface impoundment on Fountain Creek (TVA already owns most of the land) and other potential water supply sources including instream flows, pumped storage, and pipeline sources. Different design concepts will also be addressed. Potentially important issues for discussion in the EIS include:

1. Effects on stream discharge, water quality, and availability;
2. Impacts on terrestrial and aquatic ecology, including threatened and endangered species;
3. Impacts on floodplains, wetlands, recreation, and existing land uses; and
4. Socioeconomic, historic, archaeological, and cultural effects associated with completion of the project and alternatives to it.

This list is not intended to be all inclusive, nor is it intended to be a predetermination of impacts. As scoping and preparation of the EIS proceeds, other issues may be revealed which will necessitate further analyses.

TVA and TDRDA invite comments on the above issues. The agencies also request comments on environmental issues which should not be viewed as important and which should not be discussed in detail in the EIS.

A public meeting will be held on May 2, 1995, at 7 p.m. CDT at Culleoka School, Culleoka, Tennessee, in Maury County to receive oral comments about the scope of this EIS. Details about this meeting will be announced in area newspapers. Comments received at this meeting will be accorded the same weight as written comments.

The United States Army Corps of Engineers (Nashville District) will participate in this EIS process as a cooperating agency. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service may also become a cooperating agency.

After the scoping process and the initial environmental analysis are completed, TVA and TDRDA will prepare a draft EIS. A Notice of Availability of the draft EIS, soliciting public comments, will be published in the **Federal Register** and area newspapers. Those persons who choose not to comment on the scope of the document at this time but wish to receive a copy of the draft for their review and comment should send their names and addresses to Dale V. Wilhelm at the address listed above. TVA anticipates releasing a final EIS on this project in about 24 months.

Dated: March 3, 1995.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Research and Development Programs Meeting Agenda

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice provides the agenda for a public meeting at which NHTSA will describe and discuss specific research and development projects.

DATES AND TIMES: As previously announced, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration will hold a public meeting devoted primarily to presentations of specific research and development projects on March 28, beginning at 1:30 p.m. and ending at approximately 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Ramada Inn, near Detroit Metro, 8270 Wickham Rd., Romulus, MI 48174.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice provides the agenda for the ninth of a series of quarterly public meetings to provide detailed information about its research and development programs. This meeting will be held on March 28, 1995. The meeting was announced on February 17, 1995 (60 FR 9424). For additional information about the meeting consult that announcement.

Starting at 1:30 p.m. and concluding by 5 p.m., NHTSA's Office of Research and Development will discuss the following topics:

- * Improved frontal crash protection,
- * Head and neck injury research,
- * Critical Outcome Data Evaluation

System (CODES)—Linkage of databases on police accident reporting and medical outcomes.

NHTSA has based its decisions about the agenda, in part, on the suggestions it received by February 28, 1995, in response to the announcement published February 17, 1995.

As announced on February 17, 1995, in the time remaining at the conclusion of the presentations, NHTSA will provide answers to questions on its research and development programs, where those questions have been submitted in writing by 4:15 p.m. on March 21, 1995, to George L. Parker,

Associate Administrator for Research and Development, NRD-01, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Washington, DC 20590, FAX number: 202/366-5930.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Richard L. Strombotne, Special Assistant for Technology Transfer Policy and Programs, Office of Research and Development, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202-366-4730. Fax number: 202-366-5930.

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George L. Parker,

Associate Administrator for Research and Development.

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Office of Commercial Space Transportation

Environmental Impact Statement; Sierra and Doña Ana Counties, NM; Correction

AGENCY: Office of Commercial Space Transportation (OCTS), U.S. DOT.

ACTION: Correction.

SUMMARY: On February 23, 1995 the Office of Commercial Space Transportation (OCST), DOT; published a Notice of Intent at 60 FR (10139). The Notice gave the wrong date and location for the second scoping meeting. The date was given as March 23, 1995 and should have been March 21, 1995. The location was given as the Convention Center, 300 Daniel Street. The correct location should have been listed as Council Room, City Council Chambers, 400 West 4th. This notice makes correction to the Notice of Intent. In FR DOC 95-4392, 3rd Column, para 1, make the following correction:

* * * "(2) March 21, 1995, 7:00-9:00 pm, Council Room, City Council Chambers, 400 West 4th, Truth or Consequences, New Mexico."

Dated: March 3, 1995.

Sharon D.W. Boddie,

Office of Commercial Space Transportation.

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UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY

Support to Develop and Facilitate Access to Exchange Opportunities for Post-Secondary International Students

ACTION: Notice; request for proposals.

SUMMARY: The Advising and Student Services Branch of the United States Information Agency's Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs announces an open competition for an assistance award. Public or private non-profit organizations or consortia meeting the provisions described in IRS regulation 501(c)(3) may apply to provide an administrative mechanism to develop and facilitate exchanges between post-secondary school students enrolled at institutions in the United States and in other countries of the world. Preference will be given to the organization which maximizes the number of participants from all world regions and presents the most flexible mechanism for administering the exchanges. The applicants must clearly demonstrate how the proposed project differs from traditional "junior year abroad" programs and how it will create accessibility to international exchange for students who otherwise would not be able to have an overseas study experience. USIA anticipates awarding up to \$350,000 to one organization to administer this program.

Overall grant making authority for this program is contained in the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, Pub. L. 87-256, as amended, also known as the Fulbright-Hays Act. The purpose of the Act is "to enable the Government of the United States to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries* * *; to strengthen the ties which unite us with other nations by demonstrating the educational and cultural interests, developments, and achievements of the people of the United States and other nations. * * * and thus to assist in the development of friendly, sympathetic and peaceful relations between the United States and the other countries of the world."

Programs and project must conform with Agency requirements and guidelines outlined in the Solicitation Package. The USIA projects and programs are subject to the availability of funds.

ANNOUNCEMENT NAME AND NUMBER: All communications with USIA concerning this announcement should refer to the above title and reference number E/ASA-95-13.

DATES: Deadline for proposals: All copies must be received at the U.S. Information Agency by 5 p.m. Washington, DC time on Friday, April 21, 1995. Faxed documents will not be accepted, nor will documents postmarked on April 21 but received at a later date. It is the responsibility of

each applicant to ensure that proposals are received by the above deadline.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Advising and Student Services, E/ASA, Room 349, U.S. Information Agency, 301 4th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20547, Tel: (202) 619-5434, Fax: (202) 401-1433, E-mail: ahatteme@usia.gov, to request a Solicitation Package, which includes all application forms and guidelines for preparing proposals, including specific criteria for preparation of the proposal budget. Please specify the USIA Program Officer, Alexandria Hattemer, on all inquiries and correspondences. Interested applicants should read the complete **Federal Register** announcement before addressing inquiries to E/ASA or submitting their proposals. Once the RFP deadline has passed, E/ASA may not discuss this competition in any way with applicants until the Bureau proposal review process has been completed.

ADDRESSES: Applicants must follow all instructions given in the Solicitation Package and send only complete applications to: U.S. Information Agency, Ref.: E/ASA-95-13, Office of Grants Management, E/XE, Room 336, 301 4th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20547.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Bureau's authorizing legislation, programs must maintain a non-political character and should be balanced and representative of the diversity of American political, social, and cultural life. "Diversity" should be interpreted in the broadest sense and encompass differences including but not limited to race, gender, religion, geographic location, socio-economic status, and physical challenges. Applicants are strongly encouraged to adhere to the advancement of this principle.

Overview

An ideal proposal should describe an administrative mechanism capable of developing and facilitating exchanges between post-secondary students enrolled at institutions in the United States and their counterparts in Europe, Latin America, the Middle East, South Asia, Africa and East Asia (including Oceania). Numbers of incoming and outgoing students should be approximately equal. A minimum of forty percent of the exchanges must take place outside of Western Europe within a broad range of non-traditional study abroad countries, although preference will be given to applicants who can demonstrate a higher number of non-European exchanges. All world regions must be represented in this program; the